

Form CRS

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INTRODUCTION

ML&R WEALTH MANAGEMENT LLC is registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission as an investment adviser. Fees for brokerage and investment advisory services differ among broker-dealers and investment advisers and it is important that you understand the differences. Free and simple tools are available to research firms and financial professionals at Investor.gov/CRS, which also provides educational materials about broker-dealers, investment advisers, and investing.

What investment services and advice can you provide me?

We provide portfolio management services to retail investors that we offer on a discretionary or non-discretionary basis according to the authority you provide in an investment advisory agreement with us. When you grant us discretionary authority, you provide us with authority to determine the investments to buy and sell in your account on an ongoing basis. You may impose reasonable restrictions on our discretionary authority, which must be provided to us in writing. If you do not provide us with discretion, then we will make recommendations which you will have the final decision regarding implementation. As part of our portfolio management services, we will continuously monitor your investments and provide advice in your best interest. We require a minimum initial and ongoing account size for portfolio management services.

• Our investment advice is not limited to certain products or types of investments; however we generally recommend portfolios consisting of mutual funds offered by Dimensional Fund Advisors (DFA).

You are encouraged to ask us questions including the following to help you better understand our services: Given my financial situation, should I choose an investment advisory service? Why or why not? How will you choose investments to recommend to me? What is your relevant experience, including your licenses, education and other qualifications? What do these qualifications mean?

What fees will I pay?

We charge a percentage of assets under management for portfolio management services. These fees are assessed on a quarterly basis, in arrears. You should be aware that the more assets there are in your account, the more you will pay in fees. This means we have an incentive to encourage you to increase the assets in your account. We have a limited amount of clients who

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are charged hourly or fixed fees for certain services, and fees are due and payable as incurred.

In addition to our fees, you may incur additional fees and costs related to the investments in your account, such as custodian fees, account maintenance fees, transaction costs, surrender charges, wire transfer and electronic fund fees, internal management fees of mutual funds and variable annuities, and other product related fees such as redemption fees.



You will pay fees and costs whether you make or lose money on your investments. Fees and costs will reduce any amount of money you make on your investments over time. Please make sure you understand what fees and costs you are paying.

Please refer to our <u>Form ADV</u>, <u>Part 2A</u> <u>Brochure</u> for more detailed information about our fees and your investment costs. You are encouraged to ask us questions including the following to help you better understand the impact of fees and costs on investments: Help me understand how these fees and costs might affect my investments? If I give you \$10,000 to invest, how much will go to fees and costs, and how much will be invested for me?

What are your legal obligations to me when acting as my investment adviser? How else does your firm make money and what conflicts of interest do you have?

When we act as your investment adviser, we have to act in your best interest and not put our interest ahead of yours. At the same time, the

way we make money creates some conflicts with your interests. You should understand and ask us about these conflicts because they can affect the investment advice we provide you. Here are some examples to help you understand what this means.

- We have arrangements to compensate third parties for the referral of certain clients. This is a conflict of interest because we have an incentive to pay referral fees so that the third parties will refer clients to us that they otherwise might not refer to us.
- We are affiliated with Maxwell Locke & Ritter LLP, an accounting firm who we recommend to our clients. We have an incentive to recommend our affiliate to you which is a conflict of interest.

We are fiduciaries to you. That means we are required to act in your best interest throughout our entire advisory relationship.

You are encouraged to ask us questions including the following to help you better understand our conflicts of interest: *How might your conflicts of interest affect me, and how will you address them?*

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How do your financial professionals make money?

Our financial professionals receive a salary based on their individual performance and the success of the firm. This is a conflict of interest because our financial professionals have an incentive to encourage a retail investor to increase the assets in a retail investor's accounts.

Do you or your financial professionals have legal or disciplinary history?

No, please visit Investor.gov/CRS for a free and simple search tool to research our firm and your financial professional.

You are encouraged to ask us questions including the following to help you better understand our disciplinary history: As a financial professional, do you have any disciplinary history? For what type of conduct?

Additional Information

Please refer to our <u>Form ADV</u>, <u>Part 2A Brochure</u> for more information about our services. You may request updated information and a copy of our Relationship Summary by contacting us at (512) 275-2700.

You are encouraged to ask us questions including the following to help you better understand who to contact with any questions or complaints: Who is my primary contact person? Is he or she a representative of an investment adviser or a broker-dealer? Who can I talk to if I have concerns about how this person is treating me?